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Respectfully submitted:

I oppose any settlement with Microsoft. I consider Microsoft's tactics to be monopolistic, unfair to competition, and predatory.

Consider,

I was an Apple computer user from the late '70s. Apple computer is no longer a viable option do primarily to Microsoft. The original MS Office came out on the Macintosh. When Apple begin to compete with Microsoft (late 80's), the Office programs suddenly were no longer supported on the Apple Platform and then when again supported MS Word was interpeted causing painfully slow execution (early 90's). Finally, when Apple capitulated to MS, a new fully functional release was made late 90's.

I was a Netscape Navigator user. After running in to so many e-sites that would not support Netscape I was forced to change to Internet Explorer.

I was a Eudora e-mail user. Again I was forced to change to Outlook Express for compatibility.

Lastly, when using an Apple Postscript printer, mysteriously, MS Office products would encounter errors printing. Research by my programmer showed MS had "added" a Postscript command of their own, thus preventing and Apple Standard Postscript command from executing without errors.

The bottom line, if MS wants the market they have the financial and technical capability to drive any competitor from the market. Watch what happens with XBox vs Playstation and Ninetendo.

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